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Inspection Report

Permit Number:	C0070041
Inspection Type:	COMPLETE
Inspection Date:	Monday, January 08, 2007
Start Date/Time:	1/8/2007 10:00:00 AM
End Date/Time:	1/8/2007 1:30:00 PM
Last Inspection:	Monday, December 11, 2006

Inspector: Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: sunny, clear, some thawing

InspectionID Report Number: 1183

Accepted by: whedberg
2/5/2007

Permittee: **WEST RIDGE RESOURCES**

Operator: **WEST RIDGE RESOURCES**

Site: **WEST RIDGE MINE**

Address: **PO BOX 1077, PRICE UT 84501**

County: **CARBON**

Permit Type: **PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM**

Permit Status: **ACTIVE**

Current Acreages

6,114.89	Total Permitted
29.06	Total Disturbed
	Phase I
	Phase II
	Phase III

Mineral Ownership

- ☒ Federal
☒ State
☐ County
☐ Fee
☐ Other

Types of Operations

- ☒ Underground
☐ Surface
☐ Loadout
☐ Processing
☐ Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

The Permittee notified the Division on November 13, 2006 that the third quarter of 2006 surface and ground water monitoring information for the West Ridge Mine permit area was in the electronic data base "pipeline", and was acceptable for uploading. The information was uploaded to the DOGM EDI on December 12, 2006. Thus, the Permittee is current and continues to meet the Special Permit Condition included as Attachment "A" of the current State permit.

The Division initiated a midterm review of the West Ridge Mine MRP on November 9, 2006 (Task ID #2692).

Ms. Dana Sheppard of Blackhawk Engineering Company represented the Permittee during today's inspection by the DOGM.

Mr. David Hibbs is the new chief engineer for the Permittee's West Ridge Mine.

Inspector's Signature: _____

Pete Hess, Environmental Scientist III

Inspector ID Number: 46

Date: Friday, January 12, 2007

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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Inspection Continuation Sheet

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REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
 - b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

	Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Signs and Markers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Topsoil	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.c Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Explosives	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Noncoal Waste	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Slides and Other Damage	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Contemporaneous Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Backfilling And Grading	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Revegetation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. Subsidence Control	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Cessation of Operations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.b Roads: Drainage Controls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Other Transportation Facilities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. Support Facilities, Utility Installations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS Check	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. Air Quality Permit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. Bonding and Insurance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments

The fourth quarter impoundment inspections for the dual cell sediment pond were conducted by Mr. Dan Guy, P.E., of Blackhawk Engineering Company on November 22, 2006. The fourth quarter and the annual inspection and certification are the same report. There were no signs of structural instability or other hazards reported by Mr. Guy's inspection. As noted in the certified report, both cells have approximately one-third of an acre-foot of sediment storage capacity remaining before reaching the 60% cleanout elevation. The required P.E. certification of the annual report was performed on the same date as the inspection. There were no compliance issues noted during today's inspection. Both cells have frozen surfaces.

4.c Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures

The Permittee has corrected the erosion of the slope east of the crusher building by placing drain rock on it to prevent further erosive action. The Permittee has revised Map 7-2, Mine Site Drainage Control to show this change. The revision will be submitted to the Division in the very near future.

8. Noncoal Waste

A fork lift was loading a semi-trailer with non-coal waste this day. Noncoal waste is disposed of at a State certified land fill. The Permittee is meeting the approved requirements of the MRP relative to trash containment and disposal.

21. Bonding and Insurance

The Permittee submitted updated general liability insurance information for all of the UtahAmerican sites to the Division on January 9, 2007. Coverage remains in effect until June 1, 2007. All insurance requirements of the R645 Coal Mining Rules are being met.